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FM AMEMBASSY BANGKOK  
TO DEA HQS WASHDC IMMEDIATE  
INFO AMEMBASSY RANGOON  
SECSTATE WASHDC 8680

S E C R E T BANGKOK 2156

HQS PASS A/BENSINGER, A/DA MILLER, EN/CASEY, IG/FINK, ENOF/  
DOYLE, IGIF/SWAIN FROM RD ADDARIO; EMBPASS BULLINGTON

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SNAR

SUBJECT: THAILAND NARCOTICS DEVELOPMENTS

1. FOLLOWING BURMESE ARMY INCURSION INTO THAILAND DURING  
EARLY STAGE OF MOHEIN II (OPERATION MACE) IN HOT PURSUIT OF  
SUA FORCES, IT HAS BECOME PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE VIA NEWSPAPER  
ARTICLE THAT SUA LEADER CHANG CHI-FU A/K/A KHUN SA (V) IS  
NOTORIOUS NARCOTICS VIOLATOR AS WELL AS BURMESE DISSIDENT  
LEADER. THIS WAS HERETOFORE DELICATE SUBJECT IN OFFICIAL THAI  
CIRCLES BECAUSE SUA HQS LOCATED AT BAN HIN TEK IN THAILAND  
AND BECAUSE CHANG CHI-FU HAS ESTABLISHED WORKING RELATIONSHIP  
WITH RANKING THAI ARMY SUPREME COMMAND PERSONALITIES.

2. ON 25 JANUARY GENERAL CHAVALIT YODMANI OF THE PNSC CALLED  
AT DEA OFFICES AND RAISED MATTER OF CHANG CHI-FU WITH RD  
ADDARIO, AFTER ENQUIRING IF ADDARIO KNEW OF CHANG'S CLOSE  
RELATIONSHIP WITH DEPUTY SUPREME COMMANDER GENERAL  
KRIANGSAK CHAMANAN. CHAVLIT THEN STATED THAT A NUMBER OF THAI  
POLICE AND CUSTOMS OFFICERS HAD AGREED TO DECLARE CHANG CHI-FU  
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PERSONNA NON GRATA BECAUSE OF HIS ADIOUS REPUTATION AND BECAUSE  
HE CAUSED MANY PROBLEMS FOR THE BPP IN THE NORTH OF THAILAND.  
THE TNP, CHAVALIT CONTINUED, WOULD LIKE TO ARREST AND DEPORT  
CHANG BUT ARE WAITING FOR THAI MILITARY  
APPROVAL. THAT, OF COURSE, WOULD REQUIRE KRIANGSAK'S CHOP.  
HE ADDED THAT THAI DELEGATION NOW VISITING RANGOON, WHICH  
INCLUDES KRIANGSAK, MIGHT LEAD TO BETTER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN

TWO COUNTRIES ESPECIALLY AS FAR AS NARCOTICS SUPPRESSION  
IN GOLDEN TRIANGLE IS CONCERNED, ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT ELABORATE.

3. CHAVALIT ALSO MENTIONED THAT ESTABLISHMENT OF A NARCOTICS  
DIVISION WITH TNPD HAS RECEIVED APPROVAL OF TNPD DIRECTOR  
GENERAL MONTCHAI PHANKONGCHUEN AND NOW AWAITS FINAL GO-AHEAD  
FROM POLICE PERSONNEL DIVISION. CHAVALIT EXPRESSED OPTIMISM  
THAT FAVORABLE RESPONSE WOULD BE FORTHCOMING. THE AFOREMENTIONED  
INFORMATION WAS RELATED TO RD ADDARIO IN COFIDENCE.  
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